From:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent: To: Friday, October 05, 2007 2:33 PM PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)

Subject:

Fw: Hub

Awesome place. If you hear of potential funding sources send them to Juneau Christian Center's Hub.

Sent from my BlackBerry[®] device from Cellular One

----Original Message----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2007 22:29:21

To: "Karleen Jackson" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>, "Anna Kim" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "K Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Hub

Just toured Juneau's HUB... what an awesome place for teens this will be! Said I'd do all I could to help find funds (they need \$500g more to open), esp since I vetoed state funds for it - bc of the church relationship.

If we get a chance to put a plug in for the HUB with Rasmussen or other funders, let's do so. Thanks

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From:

Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Sent:

Friday, October 05, 2007 10:00 AM fnhcm@uaf.edu

To: Subject:

RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2007 8:47 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. heather mcintyre

address: 800 Smythe Street Fairbanks AK 99701

907-452-4540

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,rnI am writing to you because I feel so apprehensive that we are going tornwake up some morning and hear on the news that the US has started arnpre-emptive bombing campaign against Iran...I have contacted SenatorsrnMurkowski and Stevens and Congressman Young.....but I feel as though myrnvoice is not heard ...not heard because I am not a person 'ofrninfluence'...but you are...and you are the only person I know who might bernwilling to stand up and say "STOP THIS RUSH TO WAR WITH IRAN". If everyrnGovernor, in every State was to voice their opposition to bombingrnIran...then perhaps something could be done before it is too late. rnPlease, please, seriously consider taking a stand on this issue.rnI have copied the text of an article by Reese Erlich from the October 3rdrnissue of AlterNet: http://www.alternet.org/audits/64221/:rn "On Sept. 26, by a vote of 76-22, the Senate passed a "sense of thernSenate" resolution calling on the United State

s to declare Iran'srnRevolutionary Guards a terrorist organization. The resolution, pushed byrnformer vice presidential candidate Sen. Joe Lieberman, continues the drumrnbeat for war against Iran.rn The Bush administration is preparing public opinion for a possiblernbombing attack on Iran. As with the months prior to the Iraq invasion,rnmajor Democratic Party leaders are climbing on board.rn Half the warships in the U.S. Navy now sit within striking distance ofrnIran. Bush and Cheney have stepped up their rhetoric accusing Iran ofrnthreatening to start a "nuclear holocaust." The British press arernpredicting that the Bush administration will bomb Iran in the nearrnfuture.rn The White House is using the same propaganda techniques to whip uprnpopular opinion against Iran that it used four years ago against Iraq.rnHere's the real story.rn Iran has no nuclear weapons and couldn't have them for years. ThernInternational Atomic Energy Agency, the U.N. body that was rig

ht aboutrnWMDs in Iraq, says it has no pr!

oof of Iranian plans to build nuclearrnbombs. The IAEA recently reached a binding agreement for Iran tornreveal its past nuclear activities and allow full inspection ofrnnuclear power sites.rn The sophisticated EFPs (explosively formed penetrators) supposedlyrnsupplied by Iran to militias in Iraq are easily made in Iraqi machinernshops and can be purchased commercially for mining operations.rn For years Iran has given political, economic and military support tornShia and Kurdish militias, but the administration has never provenrnthat Iran is intentionally targeting U.S. soldiers.rn Iran does not plan, nor does it have the capability of equot; wiping Israelrnoff the map. equot; If Iran is such an immediate threat to Israel, whyrnhasn't it already launched a conventional missile attack? Suchrnaggression would invite immediate destruction of Iran by both Israelrnand the United States. So if Iran hasn't started a conventional attackrnin 28 years, why would it possibly launch an ato

mic attack, evenrnassuming it could develop a few such weapons years from now? ThernIranian leaders are angry; they are not crazy.rn Iran does support Hizbollah in Lebanon and Hamas in Palestine, butrnsuch support does not constitute a threat of Jewish annihilation. ThernU.S. and Israeli governments consciously distort and exaggerate Iran'srnthreat in order to justify immediate military action.rn For two years the United States has helped splinter groups amongrnIran's ethnic minorities to blow up buildings, assassinaternRevolutionary Guards and kill civilians in an effort to destabilizernthe Tehran regime. In short, the United States does to Iran what itrnaccuses Iran of doing in Iraq.rn The hardliners in the Bush administration, led by Cheney, see arndwindling opportunity to bomb Iran before Bush leaves office. Theyrnhope to launch a massive bombing campaign which will so weaken Tehranrnthat the regime will fall and Iranians will see the United States asrntheir savior. Does

this sound the faintest bit familiar?rn !

In reality, a U.S. attack would be disastrous. Iran could close thernStrait of Hormuz, through which 25 percent of the world's oil suppliesrnpass. Oil prices would skyrocket. Iran could encourage Hizbollah tornlaunch missiles into Israel. Muslims would hold demonstrations inrnEurope, the Middle East and Asia. Iran could mobilize that anger andrnencourage Shiite parties in Iraq to attack U.S. troops.rn In a truly nightmare scenario, Iran could encourage terrorist attacksrninside the United States and in allied countries. When I interviewedrnSyria's President Bashar al-Asad in 2006, he said, " If you do arnmilitary strike, you will have chaos. It's very dangerous. " rn The people of Iran, leading democracy advocates and even conservativernIranian-American exile groups oppose an attack. They understand thatrnU.S. bombs falling on Tehran will only rally people behind the currentrngovernment.rn In an open letter to the United Nations, former political prisoner andrnIrania

n opposition leader Akbar Ganji wrote, " Even speaking about thernpossibility of a military attack on Iran makes things extremely rndifficult for human rights and prodemocracy activists in Iran. NornIranian wants to see what happened to Iraq or Afghanistan repeated inrnIran. " rn I don't know with certainty if the United States will attack Iran. Itrnis possible that the Bush administration is ratcheting up militaristrnrhetoric in order to intimidate European allies into tightening rneconomic sanctions against Iran.rn And the decision whether to bomb Iran depends, in part, on actions by rnthe American people. Now is the time to let your national and local rnpoliticians know that we don't need another human disaster in thernMiddle East. " rn Reese Erlich is author of the new book The Iran Agenda: the Real Storyrnof U.S. Policy and the Middle East Crisis.rnrnSincerely, rnHeather McIntyre

fnhcm@uaf.edu

PLEASE ADD TO E-NEWS

From:

Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your

Sent:

Friday, October 05, 2007 9:59 AM

To: Subject: akrijordan@hotmail.com RE: Fish_and_Game

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is

----Original Message----

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Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2007 11:22 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Fish_and_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Ronald Jordan

address: 8170 Woodgreen Cir. Anchorage AK 99518

907-345-2755

MESSAGE:

When you took office you said in a speach " Grow More Moose". When is that going to happen? ADF & G in Game unit 20 are hunting cows and calves. Why? Why not transplant them to Unit 5 which needs them, or transplant the orphan calves left over from a auto accident in Anchorage, Fairbanks or other locations.rn ADF & G for the past several years have been wasting Alaskas wildlife recources. I would like to see our managment in our wildlife recources changed. It ADF & G needs to manage wildlife not the people.rnrnThank YournRonald JordanrnAnchorage Alaska

akrljordan@hotmail.com

From:

Frank Bailey [ftb907@yahoo.com]

Sent: To: Friday, October 05, 2007 8:21 AM

Subject:

Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV) Re: Can i get a reachable # for Rhonda mcbride?

We'll do it.

----Original Message----

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2007 08:10:45

To:ftb907@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Can i get a reachable # for Rhonda mcbride?

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Cc:

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We can.

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To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

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Sent: 10/5/2007 8:13 AM

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Sent:

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Subject:

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gov.sarah@yahoo.com From: Friday, October 05, 2007 8:09 AM Sent: To: Frye; Ivy J (DOA) Subject: Re: .) Sent from my BlackBerry[♥] device from Cellular One ----Original Message----From: "Frye, Ivy J (DOA) " <ivy.frye@alaska.gov> Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2007 07:59:50 To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com Subject: Re: Nah, he has a young one in anc too. I called and gave him a hard time after the news last night. I said, "aren't you still trying to recover from the last time you didn't keep your mouth shut?" He was ingracious of course, ---- Original Message -----From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) Sent: Fri Oct 05 07:35:37 2007 Subject: Re: Between being called McCarthy, and back in the day all of us called Communists... well sheesh! Maybe Jay's missing his little lady and feels frustrated lately. I'll have to keep him away from Bristol. The girls and I are in windy Juneau today! -----Original Message-----From: Ivy Frye To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Oct 4, 2007 10:12 PM

Subject:

Holy cow! We get home and the first thing we see is ramras on tv. We just ran into him in the airport too and he was nice as pie. I'm not impressed! That's me tho...

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From:

Frank Bailey [ftb907@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Friday, October 05, 2007 8:02 AM

To:

Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

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Cc: Subject:	Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV) Re: Polar Bears/Oil Development
I agree and thanks for the info John.	
Sent from my BlackB	erry® device from Cellular One
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From: "John Katz" <)wkatz@ALASKADC.org>
Date: Thu, 04 Oct 20	007 10:30:13
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Subject: Polar Bears	;/Oil Development
I thought that you m concerning the effec	night want to see the letters below, together with my reaction, at of a polar bear listing on North Slope oil development.
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P.S.	
rivileged or Personal Material Redacted	

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

>>> On 10/4/2007 at 8:05 AM, in message <47049EA3.CD3B.0090.3@ALASKADC.org>, John Katz wrote:

Thanks for forwarding Congressman Inslee's letters. It's interesting to note that, despite all available evidence to the contrary, Inslee wants to foreclose oil and gas development pending further USFWS action. I've also been concerned that the USGS studies would lead to calls for an endangered determination.

Is it worth circulating a "Dear Colleague" letter pointing out previous statements by Secretary Kempthorne and the USFWS that neither subsistence use nor oil and gas development appears to be a causal factor in the loss of critical habitat?

>>> On 10/3/2007 at 5:41 PM, in message <F73D529D0F6FBF4EA9DEB54ED10BE00B574426 @HRM09.US.House.gov>, "Kennedy, Kevin V." <Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov> wrote:

FYI!!!

From: Osborne, Beth

Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2007 3:24 PM

To: Dear Colleague

Subject: Dear Colleague; Environment; Polar Bear Listing

Deadline: COB October 4

October 2, 2007

Sea Ice Reductions will Result in a 2/3rds Loss of Polar Bears by 2050, says USGS

Join Rep. Inslee in Requesting "Endangered" Status

Dear Colleague:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has concluded that polar bears will almost certainly disappear entirely from Alaska by the middle of this century, and that by that time, we will have lost fully two-thirds of the world's polar bears. The new findings indicate that the polar bear should be protected as "endangered" under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) because they are in danger of extinction in most of their range. I hope you will join me in sending the below public comment to Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS).

Early this year, FWS proposed to list the polar bear as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act and also directed the USGS to contribute projections on polar bear populations as they related to sea-ice habitat in the Arctic before FWS' final ruling. The nine USGS reports give us a better understanding of how melting sea-ice affects polar bears and show a more precarious future for the species than previously estimated.

While the conclusions of the USGS reports are cause for immediate concern and actions to protect polar bears, they are not cause for despair. The studies focused on the "business as usual" Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ("IPCC") scenario of future emissions, in which atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations are assumed to reach 717 parts per million by 2100. The studies did not consider a scenario in which greenhouse gas emissions are capped at a much lower level. Stated simply, "business as usual" emissions will drive polar bears to extinction with near certainty, but it is not too late to preserve them if we act now.

Listing the polar bear as endangered under the ESA could provide clear benefits to the species. The ESA is one of the United States' most successful environmental laws and more than 98 percent of the species listed under the ESA still are alive today. Please join me in commenting on these new studies, and urging the service to list the polar bear as endangered under ESA. To sign on, please contact Beth Osborne at <mailto:beth.osborne@mail.house.gov> beth.osborne@mail.house.gov or at 5-6311 by COB October 4, 2007.

Sincerely,

/s/

JAY INSLEE

Member of Congress

October 5, 2007

Ms. Rosa Meehan

Supervisor

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Polar Bear Project Leader

Marine Mammals Management Office

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

1011 East Tudor Road

Anchorage, Alaska 99503

RE: Comments on the Proposal to List the Polar Bear as a Threatened Species (72 Fed. Reg. 53749-53751)

Dear Dr. Meehan:

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has generated new scientific models which, under current conditions, suggest an even more precarious future for polar bears since the initial filing to list the polar bear as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) in 2005 and the Fish and Wildlife Service's (FWS) proposal to list the polar bear as threatened in January. The nine reports by scientists at USGS this month show that the polar bear is in danger of extinction in most of its range. We believe that these new findings indicate that the polar bear should be listed as endangered under ESA.

We appreciate that in considering a final rule, the service requested that the USGS investigate a number of scientific questions relating to polar bears and their sea ice habitat. The USGS conducted these investigations using existing and new observational data and scientific models. Based on this substantial and rigorous effort, as documented in the nine new reports, the USGS has significantly advanced the understanding of sea ice loss and its implications for polar bears.

The USGS has concluded that polar bears will almost certainly disappear entirely from Alaska by the middle of this century, and that we will have lost fully two-thirds of the world's polar bears by this time. The good news is that polar bears may survive in the high Canadian archipelago and portions of Northwest Greenland through the end of this century. However, the risk of extinction for these polar bear populations by the end of the century is still unacceptably high: over 40 percent in the archipelago over 70 percent in Northwest Greenland, under sea ice conditions forecast by the climate models used in the study.

Ominously, new observational data from this summer show that the actual decline of Arctic sea ice, on which polar bears depend, is underestimated by all currently available models. This suggests that these are conservative estimates and that Polar Bear habitat will likely decline even more quickly than the models project.

The ESA defines an endangered species as "any species which is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range" and a threatened species as "any species which is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range." Under the current circumstances, we believe the polar bear simply must be listed as endangered rangewide.

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Given the perilous status of polar bears in Alaska, we also must maximize the protection of their habitat. We are concerned that the Department of the Interior is moving forward with five lease sales in the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas, in polar bear habitat, through its Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Drilling Program for 2007-2012. We believe that any further commitments to fossil fuel development in polar bear habitat should be put on hold until the Fish and Wildlife Service has issued a final listing determination for the polar bear under the ESA.

Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to comment on the new data. As you know, the best available science on polar bears and their sea-ice habitat has improved since the initial petition was filed two years ago and there is ever-increasing evidence that the continued existence of the polar bear is endangered. We strongly urge you in this ruling

to continue to adhere to the ESA's mandate to consider solely the best available scientific evidence and not to allow politics to enter this process. We appreciate your serious attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Kevin V. Kennedy
Legislative Assistant
The Honorable Don Young
Congressman for All Alaska
2111 Rayburn HOB
202-225-5765

From:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent:

Friday, October 05, 2007 7:23 AM

To:

Katz; John W (GOV)

Cc:

Crome; Cora J (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Bishop; Samuel T

(GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)

Subject:

Re: Law of the Sea/Latest Developments

Thanks John. Has our delegation shown more enthusiasm for ratification?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

----Original Message----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2007 08:46:13

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

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Fyi, they beat your warriors. You're hard to get riled up. I'm w you, jdhs is going all the way this year.

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To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

Sent: Fri Oct 05 22:00:27 2007

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]

Sent: Friday, October 05, 2007 9:33 AM

To: Katz; John W (GOV)

Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)

Subject: FW: Request for your help

John,

In our call today I'd like to talk about the request I have from the NLGA regarding contacting our congressional delegation on the National Defense Authorization Act. Specifically, the NLGA passed a resolution urging Congress to repeal Section 1076 of the Act and to open a dialogue with governors regarding how best to enhance the effectiveness of the Guard (under the command of our governor) in responding to domestic disasters and emergencies. I believe the governor has already communicated with Congress on this and I would like to do so as well, assuming alignment with the governor's position. Supposedly, the standing committees are working in conference now on the bill. Look forward to the call.

Sean

From: Dubie, Brian [mailto:Brian.Dubie@state.vt.us]

Sent: Friday, October 05, 2007 8:26 AM

Subject: Request for your help

Dear Lt. Governor,

I'm writing to you to ask for your help.

Could you please contact your Congressional delegation today, concerning Section 1076 of the National Defense Authorization Act?

RESOLUTION REGARDING URGED CHANGE TO THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

As you may recall, at the NLGA's Winter Meeting last March, we passed the bi-partisan resolution cited above, with Lt. Gov. John Bohlinger (MT), Lt. Gov. Michael Fedele (CT), Lt. Gov. Elizabeth Roberts (RI), Lt Gov Rick Sheehy (NB), Lt Gov Patty Judge (IO), Lt Gov Mark Parkinson (KS) and Lt Gov Anthony Brown (MD) all joining with me as co-sponsors.

I have attached the resolution for your review.

Senate and House Armed Services Committees are working in conference right now on this bill.

To make certain that NLGA's strong recommendations concerning a governor's authority over the Guard and Reserves are reflected in the final legislation, PLEASE JOIN ME IN FORWARDING THE

RESOLUTION (attached) TO YOUR US SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN TODAY.

If you would like to discuss the resolution or the federal legislation, please feel free to call me at 802-828-2226.

Thank you,

Brian

Brian Dubie Lieutenant Governor The State House Montpelier, Vermont 05633-5401 Tel: 802-828-2226

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Sent: Friday, October 05, 2007 5:02 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Cc: Privileged or Perso

Subject: Dinner for you and Todd with me and Sandy?

Governor,

Sandy and I want to invite you and Todd to join us for dinner in our home sometime across the next couple of weeks. I'd like the chance for the four of us to think together on Alaska's future, if possible. It would be a simple, informal meal and I'd email Todd to ask him, as well, but don't have his address in my contacts. Perhaps you could forward to him.

We now live close to Jewel Lake Rd. and Raspberry so we're close to the airport if needed. Let me know if I can get in touch with Janice to work on scheduling. Thank you so much.

Sean

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]

Sent: Friday, October 05, 2007 4:46 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Talis Colberg; Sam Bishop; Cora Crome; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich

Subject: Law of the Sea/Latest Developments

Per your request for periodic updates, below is a good summary of recent developments in the Senate concerning the Convention on the Law of the Sea.

As you will note, there appears to be overwhelming support on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and among knowledgeable experts for Senate ratification. There are several reasons for this, not the least of which is the issue discussed in your recent correspondence to Alaska's Senators; that is, the Convention would enhance the ability of the US to assert claims to territory beneath the Arctic Ocean.

Unless there is some major development, I probably won't provide any additional updates unless and until Senate ratification occurs.

Law of the Sea

Senate Foreign Relations Members Pledge Action on United Nations Law of Sea Treaty

U.S. ratification of the United Nations' Law of the Sea treaty drew support from key members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at a hearing Oct. 4.

Sen. Robert Menendez (D-N.J.) said he would push for the international treaty that governs ocean protection to be brought to the Senate floor as quickly as possible.

Menendez, who heads the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs, chaired the full committee meeting in the absence of Sen. Joseph Biden (D-Del.).

It was the second hearing the committee has held on the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea, following a Sept. 27 hearing at which Deputy Secretary of State John Negroponte and others testified.

Sen. Richard Lugar (Ind.), the committee's ranking Republican, also lent his support to the treaty.

During the hearing, Lugar said he does not share the sentiments of the treaty's critics, which include Sen. David Vitter (R-La.), who has said the treaty would allow U.S. military vessels to be governed by an international body.

Lugar, however, warned that the Senate's failure to ratify the treaty is tantamount to "allowing decisions that will affect our Navy, our ship operators, our off-shore industries, and other

maritime interests to be made without U.S. representation."

No Vote Scheduled

Following the Oct. 4 hearing, Olivia Alair, a Biden spokeswoman, told BNA that the next step for the committee is to vote on the treaty in a business meeting, though she added "one has not been scheduled yet." Biden expressed his support for ratification at the earlier hearing.

Committee Democrats convened the hearing to examine whether the treaty that governs how commercial and military ships conduct themselves on the open seas would protect the environment, while maintaining United States sovereignty.

The Law of the Sea treaty, which took effect in 1994, is the first comprehensive, enforceable international environmental law covering all forms of marine pollution (land-based, atmospheric, ship-borne, and originating from activities on the seabed).

Menendez reminded the witnesses and the panel that the Senate has failed to ratify the treaty, which the Bush administration supports and 155 countries, including Russia and China, have adopted.

Lugar reminded the panelists and the committee that the treaty will continue to form the basis of maritime law regardless of whether the United States is a party. "Consequently, the United States cannot insulate itself from the Convention merely by declining to ratify," he said in written testimony.

Lugar and Menendez dismissed those critics for creating false impressions about the treaty's impacts on U.S. sovereignty.

Biden too dismissed the critics in his Sept. 27 statement. At the time, Biden emphasized that the treaty gives the United States control over its natural resources out to 200 miles, including those on the continental shelf.

"No nation may fish or exploit the minerals of this area without the permission of the United States," Biden said. "Far from threatening our sovereignty, the Convention allows us to secure and extend our sovereign rights."

Critics Testify

Despite their condemnation, Fred Smith, president of the Competitive Enterprise Institute, in testimony Oct. 4 described the U.N. treaty as "fatally flawed"

Frank F. Gaffney Jr., president of the Washington, D.C.-based Center for Security Policy, also testified that ratification of the treaty would prove inconsistent with U.S. national security.

Countering Gaffney and Smith were letters of support sent Sept. 24 to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) and Minority Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Kent.) by five former secretaries of state—Madeline Albright, James Baker, Alexander Haig, Colin Powell, and George Shultz.

Negroponte also testified Sept. 27 that President Bush favors the treaty.

"Joining will serve the national security interests of the United States, secure U.S. sovereign rights over extensive marine areas, promote U.S. interests in the environmental health of the oceans, and give the United States a seat at the table when the rights essential to our interests are debated and interpreted," said Negroponte, citing a speech the president gave

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A U.N. report on oceans in June noted the rapid deterioration of oceans and called for "urgent action." In the report, U.N. General Secretary Ban Ki-Moon also urged the United States to ratify the treaty.

Likewise, the Joint Ocean Commission Initiative has been pressuring the Senate to ratify the treaty, as part of a package of reforms to improve the environmental health of the oceans and marine ecosystems surrounding the United States. The initiative is a collaboration between the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy and the privately funded Pew Oceans Commission.

End of article graphic

By Amena H. Saiyid

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Sent:

Friday, October 05, 2007 2:55 PM

To:

'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject:

RE: Hub

Sounds great--reminds me of the teen center that Samaritan's Purse volunteers are currently building in coordination with Grant Funk's Covenant Church in Hooper Bay--right on every kid's way home from school.

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Awesome place. If you hear of potential funding sources send them to Juneau Christian Center's Hub.

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To: "Karleen Jackson" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>, "Anna Kim" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "K Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Hub

Just toured Juneau's HUB... what an awesome place for teens this will be! Said I'd do all I could to help find funds (they need \$500g more to open), esp since I vetoed state funds for it - bc of the church relationship.

If we get a chance to put a plug in for the HUB with Rasmussen or other funders, let's do so. Thanks

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To my knowledge, Congressman Young has not opined on the Convention perhaps because the House has no role in the ratification process.

Senators Stevens and Murkowski are both supportive. However, Senator Lisa has been more outspoken recently, because she actually sits on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which has jurisdiction over the Convention.

My sense is that the Republican leadership in the Senate is growing impatient with the opponents of the Convention. Therefore, I expect the Committee to schedule a ratification vote sometime soon.

Whether the Convention will actually get to the floor this year is less clear, as floor time is difficult to come by, and the opponents will be loud even if their numbers are small. I would expect both of our Senators to advocate for ratification at that time.

The Senate is now shooting for a November 16th adjournment date, which may be more of a wish than a realistic goal.

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Thanks John. Has our delegation shown more enthusiasm for ratification? Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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